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The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions and the statements of its President concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in particular resolutions 1756 (2007) and 1794 (2007),

Reaffirming its commitment to continue to contribute to the consolidation of peace and stability in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the post-transition period, in particular through the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC),

Recalling the importance of elections, including the forthcoming local elections, for the longer term restoration of peace and stability, national reconciliation and establishment of the rule of law in the Democratic Republic of the Congo,

Encouraging international partners to continue to support the electoral process in the Democratic Republic of the Congo,

Welcoming the letters of the Secretary-General dated 11 October and 30 November 2007 (S/2007/694) and the recommendations contained in the twenty-fourth report of the Secretary-General on MONUC dated 14 November 2007 (S/2007/671) with respect to assistance by MONUC to the Congolese authorities in the organization, preparation, and conduct of local elections,

1. *Authorizes* MONUC, in close coordination with international partners and the United Nations Country Team, to provide assistance to the Congolese authorities, including the National Independent Electoral Commission, in the organization, preparation and conduct of local elections, as recommended in the letters of the Secretary-General dated 11 October and 30 November 2007;

2. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.